

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5242

February Session, 2012

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AN ACT CONCERNING DONATED DENTAL SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2012) (a) The Commissioner of
- 2 Public Health, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social
- 3 Services, may contract with licensed dental professionals or a state-
- 4 wide entity which represents dental professionals for such dental
- 5 professionals or state-wide entity to establish and operate a program
- 6 for the delivery of charitable dental services to low-income families.
- 7 Such contract may include provisions that (1) establish a network of
- 8 volunteer dentists, dental specialists, dental laboratories and other
- 9 dental professionals to donate dental services to eligible persons; (2)
- 10 establish a system to refer eligible persons to volunteer dental
- 11 professionals; (3) develop and implement a public awareness program
- 12 to inform eligible persons about the program; and (4) provide
- 13 administrative and technical support for the program.
- 14 (b) Not later than January 1, 2013, the Commissioner of Public
- 15 Health shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of
- 16 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of
- 17 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
- 18 health and human services concerning the program. Such report shall
- 19 include, but not be limited to, an accounting for all program funds, a
- 20 description of the services provided through the program, the number

- 21 of persons served by the program, and the number of volunteers who
- 22 provided dental services as part of the program.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 July 1, 2012 New section

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